

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A modular disc brake comprising a service brake mechanism having ~~at least one~~ a plurality of thrust units and modules in form of a frame, a cover, and a house for a service brake mechanism, at least a part of said house positioned between and outside said frame and said cover and mounted to be substantially unloaded during braking;

wherein said frame includes a recess having a bottom ~~defined by an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of the recess having ~~at least one hole~~ therein a plurality of openings adapted to allow the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units to pass therethrough;

wherein said house comprises a bottom ~~an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of said house having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of through openings therein adapted to allow the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units to pass therethrough; and

wherein ~~the outer peripheral wall of said house corresponds in size and shape to the outer peripheral wall of the recess, and wherein said house is disposed within the recess in said frame such that the floor of said house abuts the floor of the recess and such that the hole in the floor~~ plurality of through openings in the bottom of said house ~~is~~ are aligned with the ~~hole in the floor~~ plurality of openings in the bottom of the recess such that the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units ~~may be passed~~ pass through the floor bottom of said house and the floor bottom of the recess.

2. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 1, characterized in that a lower part of the house is received in the recess.

3. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 2, characterized in that the house is made of a plastic material.

4. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 1 characterized in that the brake mechanism is a single pre-mounted unit received in the house.

5. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 3, characterized in that the brake mechanism is pre-mounted in the house or cover.

6. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 5, characterized in that the cover is attached in such a way that it covers an open end of the house.

7. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 6, characterized in that the house is open in one direction to receive the brake mechanism; that it has one or more openings for connection of one or more thrust units of the brake mechanism with one or more thrust plates; and that it has a space for receiving a lever of the brake mechanism.

8. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 7, characterized in that the frame and cover has openings to receive a number of pull rods, which pull rods are clamped between the frame and the cover in that nuts are received on one end of each pull rod and that the pull rods have a head at the other end.

9. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 8, characterized in that a gasket is received between the house and the cover.

10. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 9, characterized in that the house is pre-tensioned by means of the pull rods.

11. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 1, wherein the house receives a lever of the brake mechanism.

12. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 1, wherein a number of pull rods are clamped between the frame and the cover without passing through the house.

13. (currently amended) A modular disc brake comprising a brake mechanism having ~~at least one~~ a plurality of thrust units and modules in form of a frame, a cover, and a house;

wherein said frame includes a recess having a bottom ~~defined by an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of the recess having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of openings therein adapted to allow the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units to pass therethrough;

wherein said house comprises a bottom ~~an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of said house having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of through openings therein adapted to allow the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units to pass therethrough; and

wherein ~~the outer peripheral wall of said house corresponds in size and shape to the outer peripheral wall of the recess, and wherein said house is disposed within the recess in said frame such that the floor of said house abuts the floor of the recess and such that the hole in the floor~~ the plurality of through openings in the bottom of said house is are aligned with the ~~hole in the floor~~ plurality of openings in the bottom of the recess such that the ~~at least one~~ plurality

of thrust units may be passed through the floor bottom of said house and the floor bottom of the recess.

14. (currently amended) A modular disc brake comprising a brake mechanism having ~~at least one~~ a plurality of thrust units and modules in form of a frame, a house, a cover, and a number of pull rods, wherein the number of pull rods clamp between the frame and the cover without passing through the house and the house is pre-tensioned by means of the pull rods;

wherein said frame includes a recess having a bottom ~~defined by an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of the recess having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of openings therein;

wherein said house comprises a bottom ~~an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of said house having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of through openings therein; and

wherein ~~the outer peripheral wall of said house corresponds in size and shape to the outer peripheral wall of the recess, and wherein said house is disposed within the recess in said frame such that the floor of said house abuts the floor of the recess and such that the hole in the floor~~ plurality of through openings in the bottom of said house is are aligned with the ~~hole~~ plurality of openings in the floor bottom of the recess such that the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units may be passed pass through the floor bottom of said house and the floor bottom of the recess.

15. (currently amended) A modular disc brake comprising a service brake mechanism having ~~at least one~~ a plurality of thrust units and modules in form of a frame, a house for the service brake mechanism and a cover, wherein, the house is mounted not to take up any load during braking and the house is made of plastic material;

wherein, the brake mechanism is a single pre-mounted unit received in the house and the brake mechanism is pre-mounted in the house or cover;

wherein, the cover is attached in such a way that it covers an open end of the house;

wherein, the house has a space for receiving a lever of the brake mechanism;

wherein, the frame and cover have openings to receive a number of pull rods, which pull rods are clamped between the frame and the cover in that nuts are received on one end of each pull rod and the pull rods have a head at the other end;

wherein said frame includes a recess having a bottom ~~defined by an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of the recess having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of openings therein;

wherein said house comprises a bottom ~~an outer peripheral wall and a floor~~, the floor bottom of said house having ~~at least one hole~~ a plurality of through openings therein; and

wherein ~~the outer peripheral wall of said house corresponds in size and shape to the outer peripheral wall of the recess, and wherein said house is disposed within the recess in said frame such that the floor of said house abuts the floor of the recess and such that the hole in the floor~~ plurality of through openings in the bottom of said house ~~is~~ are aligned with the ~~hole~~ plurality of openings in the floor bottom of the recess such that the ~~at least one~~ plurality of thrust units may be passed through the floor bottom of said house and the floor bottom of the recess.

16. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 15, wherein, a gasket is received between the house and the cover.

17. (previously presented) The disc brake of claim 16, wherein, the house is pre-tensioned by means of the pull rods.